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DISTRICT ESTABLISHED

Will Drain 37,000 Acres of Big Sandy Bottom

The Big Sandy Drainage District was established by the county court of Henry county last week. After examining Clifty Creek there was practically no opposition to the movement.

The district as established embraces lands in the counties of Carroll, Henry and Benton to the approximate total of 37,000 acres, which will receive benefits and be reclaimed at a cost \$9 50 per acre, or an approximate total of \$366,300. The expense of the project will be borne by the parties benefited, twenty-year bonds to be issued to care for same.

The district as established will drain and reclaim lands in the territory watered by the Big Sandy river from Hollow Rock Junction to the mouth of West Sandy river, including all lateral creek and tributaries; the West Sandy river from its mouth to a point beyond the Reynoldsburg road, including tributaries of the river; the bottom lands of Holly Fork and Bailey Fork creeks.

Barnes--Smith

James W. Barnes and Miss Lillian Smith, of Trezevant, were married at the home of Eld. L. R. Riley of the Baptist church, of Trezevant, Tuesday evening of last week. Only a few special friends witnessed the ceremony. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Barnes, of near McKenzie, and is at Camp Gordon, being an electrician in the camp. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Smith and was very popular. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes left on the midnight train for Camp Gordon.

Red Cross News

Huntingdon Chapter of the American Red Cross held its monthly business meeting last Thursday night. Full reports were made from all departments, which showed that the chapter is now on a systematic, businesslike basis. All bills up to January 1 were audited, approved and ordered paid.

The southern division has been asked for 5,000 comfort pillows for our wounded soldiers in France. Huntingdon's share is 100 pillows. These are being made and turned into headquarters rapidly. Shipment will be made Saturday of the first 100 pillows, and the chapter is "going over the top" by trying to secure 100 more pillows during the coming week. The pillows are 12x18 inches, of any material, white or colored; stuffed with cotton or rags clipped fine and finished with a new, white pillow slip. Every young lady in Carroll county who reads this is asked to make one pillow at once and send to Mrs. J. W. Murphy, care Red Cross headquarters at Huntingdon. Do it today.

Huntingdon chapter made another large shipment of hospital supplies this week for our wounded soldiers in France. This shipment contained the following: 600 many-tailed bandages, 540 triangular bandages, 100 T-bandages and 90 pairs woolen socks.

In spite of extreme cold weather the interest in the Huntingdon Red Cross workroom is growing daily. On some of the very coldest days of last week as many as 25 lady workers were present. On one of the coldest days, when there was no school, Prof. Hendrickson's entire force of school girls and teachers from the girls' dormitory, showed their patriotism by spending the day at work at Red Cross headquarters. Many thanks—come again young ladies.

Mrs. Bennie Hall, chairman of the children's Red Cross work, is meeting with fine success, and the children are making, with their own little hands, many useful

things to be sent to the orphan children of France and elsewhere.

On the walls of our Red Cross workroom there are sixteen touching pictures—scenes of starving orphan children in Belgium, Armenia and other lands. A few days ago, when the children had left the workroom, there was found on Mr. Noell's desk a sealed envelope, which read thusly: "Inclosed ten cents for the little starving Belgium children." It was signed by two small children, five years of age.

Regardless of the weather, the workroom is open and comfortable every day, and visitors from the country are cordially invited to the headquarters when they come to town. You will find it a splendid place to tarry a little while. You will always receive a hearty welcome. W. L. NOELL.

WANT EXTRA SESSION

W. C. T. U. to Urge Action on Governor Tom C. Rye

A special from Knoxville says the W.C.T.U. of Knoxville and Knox county will petition Governor Tom C. Rye to call an extra session of the legislature to ratify the federal amendment for prohibition. Following is the request to be presented to the governor:

"Resolved, That we endorse the national prohibition amendment and that we respectfully ask the members of the legislature of the State of Tennessee to vote at the earliest possible moment to ratify the amendment.

"Since the legislature of Tennessee does not meet until 1919, we hereby respectfully request Governor Tom C. Rye to call an extra session at his earliest convenience in order that Tennessee may be among the first to ratify the amendment."

Constitution in Way

There has been some talk of a special session of the legislature to ratify the prohibition amendment. It has also been asserted that the constitution positively prohibits such action. In proof of the latter proposition, Section 32, Article 2, says:

No convention or general assembly of this state shall act upon any amendment of the constitution proposed by congress to the several states unless such convention or general assembly shall have been elected after such amendment is submitted.

HOG RAISING

Subject Interestingly Discussed at Meeting Monday

An interesting meeting was held at the court house Monday in regard to the hog production increase campaign. The meeting was called by County Agricultural Agent C. H. Moody and addressed by Dr. Robert Jay, of Nashville, who is on the staff of the state veterinarian. About twenty hog growers were out and all joined in the discussion of problems of swine management. Special stress was laid upon the methods of keeping hogs free from lice, worms and cholera, and the importance of supplying them with the proper feed and mineral matter at all times. The construction and use of the self-feeder was explained and illustrated by a model feeder, built by the county agent. Considerable interest was manifested in the model "A" type hog house, which was also on exhibition.

Tuesday morning a demonstration in vaccination was given on the Mebane farm, after which an examination was given for those who desired to apply for permits to vaccinate against hog cholera. With these permit-holders distributed over the county it will be an easy matter to control any future outbreaks of the dreaded cholera.

Stricter Conservation Of Food is Urged by President Wilson

THE following proclamation, calling on the people for further food conservation, was issued Saturday by Pres. Wilson:

A PROCLAMATION.

Many causes have been contributed to create the necessity for a more intensive effort on the part of our people to save food in order that we may supply our associates in the war with the sustenance vitally necessary to them in these days of privation and stress. The reduced productivity of Europe because of the large diversion of man power to the war, the partial failure of harvests, and the elimination of the more distant markets for foodstuffs through the destruction of shipping, places the burden of their sustenance very largely on our shoulders.

The food administration has formulated suggestions which, if followed, will enable us to meet the great responsibility, without any real inconvenience on our part.

In order that we may reduce our consumption of wheat and wheat products by 30 per cent—a reduction imperatively necessary to provide the supply for overseas—wholesalers, jobbers and retailers should purchase and resell to their customers only 70 per cent of the amounts used in 1917. All manufacturers of alimentary pastes, biscuits, crackers, pastry and breakfast cereals should reduce their purchases and consumption of wheat and wheat flour to 70 per cent of their 1917 requirements, and all bakers of bread and rolls to 80 per cent of their current requirements. Consumers should reduce their purchases of wheat products for home preparation to, at most, 70 per cent of those of last year, or, when buying bread, should purchase mixed cereal breads from the bakers.

To provide sufficient cereal food, homes, public eating places, dealers and manufacturers should substitute potatoes, vegetables, corn, barley, oats and rice products, and the mixed cereal bread and other products of the bakers which contain an admixture of other cereals.

In order that consumption may be restricted to this extent, Mondays and Wednesdays should be observed as wheatless days each week, and one meal each day should be observed as a wheatless meal.

In both homes and public eating places, in order to reduce the consumption of beef, pork and sheep products, Tuesday should be observed as meatless day in each week, one meatless meal should be observed in each day; while, in addition, Saturday in each week should further be observed as a day upon which there should be no consumption of pork products.

A continued economy in the use of sugar will be necessary until later in the year.

It is imperative that all waste and unnecessary consumption of all sorts of foodstuffs should be rigidly eliminated.

The maintenance of the health and strength of our own people is vitally necessary at this time, and there should be no dangerous restriction of the food supply; but the elimination of every sort of waste and the substitution of other commodities of which we have more abundant supplies for those which we need to save, will in no way impair the strength of our people and will enable us to meet one of the most pressing obligations of the war.

I, therefore, in the national interests, take the liberty of calling upon every loyal American to take fully to heart the suggestions which are being circulated by the food administration and of begging that they be followed. I am confident that the great body of our women who have labored so loyally in co-operation with the food administration for the success of food conservation will strengthen their efforts and will take it as part of their burden in this period of national service to see that the above suggestions are observed throughout the land.

WOODROW WILSON.

The White House, Jan. 18, 1918.

Escape Bad Accident

Section Foreman Bob Murphey was called out to examine the high water conditions on the Reedy creek crossing of the L. & N. railroad late Saturday night, and when he, together with his crew of eight other men, were returning to Trezevant, they came near having a very serious accident. Mr. Murphey had made the examination of the levee and trestle and not knowing that a freight train was due, they started for Trezevant, and when near Jarrell, there being a dense fog, the headlight of a fast oncoming freight locomotive was sighted, and an effort was made to stop the car and clear the track, but it was soon seen that to get the car off the track was impossible. Mr. Murphey ordered all his men to jump for their lives, and he said that they had only left the car when the pilot of the engine struck the handcar and scattered tools in every direction, and carried most of the car on the pilot for several hundred yards before stopping. None of the men were hurt, but if they had not been quick in jumping all, perhaps, would have been killed, as the train was making fifty miles an hour.

Bryan in Nashville

William J. Bryan stopped off in Nashville a short while one morning last week. He had been in Alabama making prohibition speeches. Mr. Bryan was very much gratified at the recent action of congress on the prohibition question and predicted an early and complete victory. While admitting that he expected to devote his entire time to the prosecution of the fight for the ratification of the prohibition amendment, Colonel Bryan took occasion to pay a sterling tribute to the governmental policy in the conduct of the war and to beseech the nation to loyally uphold the hands of President Wilson.

J. M. Thompson Dead

In the death of J. M. Thompson, which occurred last Saturday night at his home in the Twenty-third district, Carroll county lost one of her best citizens. Mr. Thompson had been in bad health for some time with heart dropsy, but his death came very suddenly. He complained of a hurting in the back of his neck and his daughter commenced to rub his neck when he fell over dead.

The deceased was 57 years old,

a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church and an upright citizen. He was a member of the county court and had been for a number of years and made an excellent member of the bench. He was a useful man in his community, always taking active interest in everything for the benefit of his neighborhood. He leaves a wife and two children, Guy Thompson and Miss Eura Thompson, who have the sympathy of many friends.

The burial occurred Monday at the Mebane graveyard after funeral services conducted at the home by Rev. J. W. Howell. The Democrat extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

FINISHING WORK

Local Board Completing Work of Classification

The local board has about completed its work of classification. There remain a few who were slow getting their papers to be passed upon vet.

In the first class there are listed about 479, second about 189, third about 42, fourth about 753, and in the fifth class about 77.

The first call for physical examination was for 100. Fifty are to appear today and fifty tomorrow. There will be no examination for Monday and Tuesday. The remainder of the first class have been called to appear 50 a day, commencing Wednesday, and continuing until the entire class is completed.

If a registrant is dissatisfied with the physical examination, he has the right to appeal to the medical board at McKenzie. If two members of the local registration board are displeased with the physical examination of any registrant they can also appeal to the McKenzie board. After the McKenzie board passes upon the registrant he comes before the local registration board for its final action. From this action of the local board, the registrant can appeal to the Memphis board, the action of which is final.

After the registrant is certified into the service and sent to the camp he is again examined and passed upon by a medical board of three physicians before accepted into the service.

Mrs. W. A. Tyner left Saturday for Tiptonville to join her husband who has been transferred to that place.

WILL ANNOUNCE SOON

Chas. T. Cates Will Likely Get in Race for Senator

Gen. Chas. Cates, Jr., former attorney-general of Tennessee, whose name has been repeatedly mentioned in connection with the race for senator in the primary next August, spent Saturday in Nashville.

Gen. Cates was asked by a Banner reporter if he would be a candidate.

"I will make a statement of my intentions in the next few days," was his significant reply.

Gen. Cates has written many democrats over the state asking their advice in the matter, and he has, no doubt, received encouragement, and will likely enter the contest and make a vigorous canvass. He is a strong man and has many influential friends.

The only avowed candidate at this time is Senator John K. Shields, the present incumbent.

Since the above was written General Cates has made his announcement in a long article stating his position on important questions, and giving reasons why he thinks he should be sent to the U. S. senate.

CONFERENCE CALLED

Governor Rye Asks that the Meeting be Well Attended

Governor Thomas C. Rye makes the following urgent call:

That our people may be fully informed as to the situation in the nation in this awful crisis, to arouse them to a full apprehension of the dangers which threaten our liberties and to bring the war activities of the nation closer to them, I have called a conference of public officials and those charged with the direction of war activities in the counties of West Tennessee, on Monday, February 4, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m.

At this conference the following are expected to attend: Chairmen of councils of defense, chairmen of women's committee of councils of defense, food administrators, fuel administrators, representatives of the food and fuel administration, county agricultural agents (men and women) sheriffs, county judges, justices of the peace, clerks of courts, mayors, chiefs of police, city and county superintendents of public instruction, members of city and county boards of education, presidents and secretaries of Red Cross chapters and auxiliaries, heads of army and navy Y.M.C.A. organizations, officers of organized labor, editors of newspapers, agents and officers of the United States government in West Tennessee.

This call is addressed to YOU personally. The winning of this war is going to require all the devotion, the sacrifice, and the resources of all our people. This is a great war of peoples. Every citizen has a vital and personal task to perform in this crisis. Therefore, I call upon you to lay aside all other business, forsake all other interests and attend this conference.

Every citizen must realize his interest in and obligation to the nation. This obligation you cannot shift to another. There must be no slackers; no deserters. All must work together that one hundred per cent of the resources of the nation may be actively engaged in the winning of the war, the supreme task of all civilization; the great stake of all humanity.

Sleds Common

For two weeks prior to last Sunday it was no uncommon thing to see sleds running in every direction. It was a popular mode of travel by farmers coming to town to trade. In fact, sleds were used for many purposes. Farmers brought in their barter on sleds and their corn to mill for grinding. We saw one sled upon which hay was being hauled, and many with wood. In fact, sleighing was good for several days. It has been many years since the people of this section have had so long a spell of weather suitable for sleighing. We doubt if many ever saw a much longer seige of bad weather in this section of the country.

Mrs. Reddin Dead

Mrs. Jack Reddin died at her home a short distance from town last Tuesday night after an illness of several months with tuberculosis. She had been confined to her home since the first of last year. She was 62 years old and a most excellent woman. She was not a member of any church, but was willing to go believing that all was well with her. She is survived by her husband and five children, Mrs. Elsie Britt of Pine Bluff, and Jim, Horace and Priestly Reddin and Miss Julia Reddin. The burial occurred Wednesday afternoon at Long Rock after funeral and burial services conducted by Rev. W. E. Gibson. The bereaved have the sympathy of many friends.